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**STATE OF NEW YORK**  
**LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY**  
**BUFFALO, N.Y., JANUARY 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2015, A.D.**

**I HEREBY CERTIFY**, That at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2015, A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

**WHEREAS**, *The Niagara Hose Fire Company No. 3* was established on January 14, 1890 , at its' original location on Niagara Street, with equipment consisting of a hand-drawn cart, and moved with the times in 1903 with a REO Speed Wagon with a hose carrier with short ladders and no pumps; and

**WHEREAS**, *The Niagara Hose Fire Company No. 3* moved to Kohler Street, and then moved to its permanent home at 74 Wheeler Street in the 1930's, when the construction finished, around the time when motorized fire vehicles became the norm; and

**WHEREAS**, *The Niagara Hose Fire Company No. 3* in 1891 established its first bunk house, located over the truck room, and was one of the few companies where the driver and firemen used a brass pole in get down to the truck room; and

**WHEREAS**, *The Niagara Hose Fire Company No. 3*, in the 1950's, created a room for making chowder, using the original receipt from then Council President Leon Peuquet, which the membership still makes today and sell over 400 quarts monthly; and

**WHEREAS**, *The Niagara Hose Fire Company No. 3* has been an active and positive part of the community in various sports, sponsored "Field Days", family picnics, has been an active participant in the annual "Firemen's Parade Day", supports the Salvation Army and sponsors a scholarship for a Tonawanda High School Student each year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to recognize **The Niagara Hose Fire Company No. 3** on its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and commend them on their exemplary service to the community of the City of Tonawanda.

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Kevin R. Hardwick  
Erie County Legislator – 4<sup>th</sup> District

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Karen M. McCarthy  
Clerk of the Legislature